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1. PARIS TALKS

US/SRV AGREE BEGIN NEGOTS 5/3 ON POSSIBLE NORMALIZATION RELS
(WP; SUN; JOC). IMMEDIATE AIM IS ESTABLISH DIPL/TRADE
RELS; 1ST ROUND WILL BE HELD AT NEW SRV EMB, THEN WILL
ALTERNATE W/AMEMBASSY. US DEL HEADED BY EA'S HOLBROOKE;
SRV DEL HEADED BY DEP FONMIN PHAN HIEN (REUTER, NYT).
MAIN ISSUES WILL BE US EFFORTS GAIN MIA INFO/HANOI'S ATTEMPT
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WIN LARGE-SCALE RECONSTRUCTION AID (JOC). DIPL SOURCES
SAY US HAD EDGE, SINCE CAN PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL AID SRV
NEEDS. SOME ANALYSTS BELIEVE HANOI ALMOST DESPERATELY WANTS
OFFICIAL RELS W/US TO HELP BALANCE RELS W/USSR/PRC; ALSO
BECAUSE ONLY US CAPABLE EXPLOITING OFFSHORE OIL DEPOSITS
(UPI, GLOBE).

MIA FAMILIES SAY EXPECT PRES STAND BY PLEDGE NOT ESTABLISH
RELS W/SRV UNTIL "EVERYTHING HUMANLY POSSIBLE" DONE TO
ACCOUNT FOR MIAS (UPI, NYT).

2. INDOCHINA

CAMBODIA/SPAIN ESTABLISH DIPLO RELS (REUTER BANGKOK).

3. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

JAPANESE FREIGHTER PICKS UP 79 VIET REFUGEES FROM FISHING BOAT IN S CHINA SEA (WP).

4. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE, INCL 24 CUSTOMS OFFICIALS/5 POLICE, ARRESTED RE SMUGGLING ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES, SUCH AS RICE/SALT/GASOLINE, INTO CAMBODIA (REUTER BANGKOK).

5. PHILIPPINES

GOP/MUSLIMS ACCUSE EACH OTHER DISCARDING EARLIER AGREEMENTS, AS MANILA TALKS BREAK OFF. MUSLIM NEGOTIATORS SAY MARCOS SENT MORE SOLDIERS INTO S PHILS; FONMIN ROMULO STATES REBELS INTRODUCED ADDITIONAL UNCONSTITUTIONAL DEMANDS/REFUSED ACCEPT REFERENDUM. BOTH SIDES AGREE CONTINUE C-F (PHINQ).

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TIGHT SECURITY IN FORCE AS VOTING TOOK PLACE. RESULTS NOT EXPECTED KNOWN FOR SEVERAL DAYS (REUTER JAKARTA 5/2).

7. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

SYDNEY "SUN" SAYS CIA ABLE MONITOR TELEPHONE/TELEX CALLS IN/OUT AUSTRALIA (REUTER SYDNEY).

DEP PM ANTHONY PREDICTS BRIGHT FUTURE FOR AUSSIE URANIUM INDUSTRY, AS ENDS WK TALKS W/US ENERGY/TRADE OFFICIALS (REUTER WASHINGTON).

NZ EXPECTS EARN RECORD 600 MILLION NZ DOLS FROM WOOL BY 6/30 SEASON'S END; FEARS HI PRICES WOULD REDUCE DEMAND FROM UK CARPET MAKERS SO FAR GROUNDLESS (MCLAUGHLAN, JOC).

8. CHINA

US/PRC HOLDING TALKS AIMED AT SETTLING FINANCIAL CLAIMS (GLOBE; UPI, WP; NYT NEWS SERVICE IN WSTAR; CSM; REUTER 5/2-3). REUTER REPORTS TALKS BEGAN MID-MARCH AT US INITIATIVE/LATEST MEETING LAST FRIDAY BETWEEN HOLBROOKE/HAN HSU. ADDS DOS SPOKESMAN MONDAY SAID TALKS LIMITED

TOPIC FINANCIAL CLAIMS/DECLINED COMMENT ON PROGRESS MADE.
REUTER (5/2) NOTES DIFFERING VIEWS AT DOS RE SIGNIFICANCE
TALKS: SOME SAY CLAIMS CONSTITUTE IMPORTANT ROADBLOCK
TO NORMALIZING RELS, BUT MANY BELIEVE NO PROGRESS CAN BE
MADE ON ISSUE UNLESS TAIWAN QUESTION RESOLVED. CITES DOS
OFFICIAL AS SAYING US "INTERESTED IN MOVING TOWARD NORMAL
RELS WITH CHINA, BUT MODALITIES AND TIMING REQUIRE FUR-
THER CAREFUL STUDY." UPI SAYS SECRET TALKS ON SETTLING
CLAIMS COULD LEAD TO DIRECT SHIPPING/AIRLINE AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. CSM NEWS BRIEF CITES HIGH DOS
OFFICIAL AS SAYING SERIES OF CONTACTS BETWEEN US/CHINESE
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ADIES GOING ON QUIETLY IN WASHINGTON FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

DALAI LAMA'S OFFICE IN NEW DELHI SAYS REPORTS PRC WOULD
WELCOME FORMER TIBETAN LEADER'S RETURN REVEAL "ABSOLUTE
FAILURE" CHINESE RULE IN TIBET (WP NEWS BRIEF).

WP'S LEWIS SIMONS REPORTS FROM RAWALPINDI THAT ARMED
TRIBESMEN IN PAKISTAN'S NW FRONTIER PROVINCE HAVE
SURROUNDED SOME 3,000 CHINESE ROAD BUILDERS IN EFFORT
FORCE PRC INTERVENTION TO FORCE BHUTTO RESIGNATION
(GLOBE CARRIES EXCERPTED SIMON'S REPORT). SUN ALSO
REPORTS BOTTLING UP OF CHINESE WORKERS ON KARAKORAM HIGH-
WAY NEAR PRC BORDER.

AFTER 9 YRS OF DETENTION ON CHARGES OF SEDITION, TAIWAN
HAS RELEASED KUO YI-TUNG. SPECIAL REPORT TO NYT FROM
TAIPEI SAYS RELEASE REPORTEDLY SPURRED BY INCREASING
CONCERN IN TAIWAN OVER US VIEWS ON HUMAN RTS ISSUES.

9. HONG KONG

US/HK OPENED NEGOTIATIONS 5/2 ON RENEWAL OF 3-YR TEXTILE
AGREEMENT WHICH EXPIRES 9/30. REUTER REPORT ADDS
CARTER ADMIN UNDER PRESSURE CURB TEXTILE IMPORTS.

10. JAPAN

US/JAPANESE OFFICIALS OPENED NEW ROUND TALKS IN TOKYO 5/2
RE CURBING JAPAN'S COLOR TV EXPORTS. TALKS EXPECTED CENTER
ON COMPONENT IMPORTS WELL AS COMPLETE SETS; AT WASHINGTON
MTG, US FEARED JAPAN'S PLANS FOR US ASSEMBLY PLANTS COULD
BE AIMED AT AVOIDING IMPORT RESTRICTIONS UNLESS COMPONENTS
ALSO COVERED UNDER AGREEMENT (REUTER TOKYO 5/2). WP ADDS
INDICATIONS ARE THAT NEGOTS' FINAL STAGES WILL BE VERY DIF-
FICULT.

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FORMER JAPANESE FONMIN KOSAKA LEAVES FOR ARGENTINA VIA NY
AT INVITATION ARGENTINE GOVT. KOSAKA SCHEDULED TALK W/PRES

VIDELA, OTHER GOVT LEADERS BEFORE RETURNING TOKYO 5/10.

GOJ DECLARED 5/2 EXTENSION TERRITORIAL WATERS FROM 3 TO 12
MI/ANNOUNCED ESTABLISHMENT 200-MI RESTRICTED ECON ZONE.
STATEMENT FROM PM'S OFFICE FOLLOWED BILL'S APPROVAL FROM
DIET'S UPPER HOUSE. GOJ BELIEVES NEW LAWS WILL STRENGTHEN
JAPAN'S BARGAINING POWER IN STALLED TALKS W/USSR OVER IN-
TERIM FISHERY AGREEMENT (SUN'S SEIDEN, TOKYO; REUTER TOKYO
5/2; CULLISON, JOC).

FUKUDA SAID 5/2 JAPAN UNABLE NEGOTIATE FISHERY AGREEMENT IF
MOSCOW LINKS DEAL TO COUNTRIES' TERRITORY DISPUTE OVER 4
SOVIET-HELD ISLANDS OFF HOKKAIDO. PM ADDED, "JAPAN WILL
NEVER SEEK ANY SETTLEMENT" THAT WILL "CRACK OUR POSITION"
ON TERRITORIAL ISSUE (REUTER TOKYO 5/2).

JAPANESE GOVT/BUSINESS LEADERS, PREPARING FOR THIS WEEK-
END'S ECON SUMMIT, EXPRESS FEARS FUKUDA WILL RUN INTO
HEAVY CRITICISM; WARNED PM SHOULD BE READY FACE PRESSURES
FROM OTHER LEADERS ATTENDING SUMMIT IN URGING JAPAN ADOPT
MORE REFLATIONARY MEASURES. JAPANESE WILL BE PRESSING FOR
RENEWAL MULTILATERAL NEGOTS PROMOTING MORE FREE TRADE
(CULLISON).

SUMITOMO METALS INCREASED ROLLED STEEL PRICES BY 9 1/2 PCT
5/1, FOLLOWING KAWASAKI'S 7 1/2 PCT MARKUP IN APRIL (UPI,
CDN 4/30).

JOC REPORTS DESPITE JAPAN'S LOWER INTEREST RATES, TREND
TOWARD GREATER OVERSEAS INVESTMENT CONTINUES. IN '76,
JAPAN'S CORPORATE ISSUES ABROAD TOTALLED 2.1 BIL DOLS COM-
PARED TO 1.6 BIL IN '75.

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FINANCE MINISTRY SAYS JAPAN'S GOLD/FON CURRENCY RESERVES
INCREASED 320 MIL DOLS IN ONE MO TO OVER 17 BIL DOL APRIL
TOTAL (UPI, JOC).

AP REPORTED 5/2 GOJ TAX OFFICE DATA SHOWING SHOKICHI
UEHARA, CHRMN TAISHO PHARMACEUTICAL, HAD LARGEST INCOME IN
JAPAN LAST YR--6 MIL DOLS. SON SHOJI, TAISHO'S PRES,
EARNED 2.3 MIL DOLS (NYT).

NYT'S KAMM (TOKYO) NOTES IN RARE OCCURRENCE, JAPANESE NOW
ENJOYING "GOLDEN WEEK" VACATION FROM WORK; POSTWAR CONSTI-
TUTION DATE 5/3 PROVIDING MISSING LINK IN WEEK'S HOLIDAYS
BEGINNING W/HIROHITO'S BIRTHDAY 4/29, 2 OLDER HOLIDAYS,

AND CHILDREN'S DAY 5/5.

11. KOREA

GROUP DANISH DOCTORS, SPONSORED BY AMNESTY INTL, SAYS IT HAS REACHED "DEPRESSING CONCLUSION" THAT IN MANY COUNTRIES, INCL SK, PHYSICIANS ARE PARTICIPATING IN TORTURE POL PRISONERS (AP, NYT).

JOC'S PORTER (LONDON) REPORTS SK NOW CONSIDERED HIGHLY DESIRABLE INTL BORROWER/IS ABLE RAISE FUNDS IN EUROCURRENCY MARTS EASILY AS ANYONE; ALSO, SK ABLE COMMAND MORE AND MORE FAVORABLE TERMS. AT END '76, TOTAL FOREX LOANS TO KOREAN BORROWERS W/YR OR MORE MATURITIES TOTALED 7.1 BIL DOLS. VISITNG BANKERS IMPRESSED/TERM SK "SECOND JAPAN."

12. ASEAN/GENERAL

MALAYSIA WILL INVITE PMS FROM JAPAN/AUSTRALIA/NZ TO MEET SEA LEADERS AT AUG ASEAN SUMMIT AT KL (AFP, WP).

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NYT SPEC (5/2) QUOTES "ROLLING STONE" MAG THAT SK/TAIWAN/ ARGENTINA/S AF/SPAIN NOW HAVE NUKE WEAPONS OR WILL HAVE THEM BY YR'S END.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

14. CHINA

CSM'S SOUTHERLAND SAY SAYS CARTER ADMIN WILL PLACE INCREASING STRESS ON REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. DESPITE HIGH-LEVEL US/PRC TALKS ON CLAIMS ISSUE, US IS IN NO GREAT HURRY ALTER EXISTING RELS WITH TAIWAN OR "NORMALIZE" DIPL RELS W/PEKING. NOTES US MOVES TOWARD NORMALIZATION RELS W/SRV INDICATE US WILLING INCLUDE THAT COUNTRY IN GREATER REGIONAL ECON COOPERATION PLANS. CITES EA'S HOLBROOKE AS SAYING HE BELIEVES ECON DEVEL IS WHERE OUR FUTURE LIES IN SEA REGION. NOTES MANSFIELD VIEW THAT ASEAN SHOULD BE "BEEFED UP" WITH JAPAN PLAYING IMPORTANT ROLE BESIDES US. ADDS US MIGHT GET AROUND PROBLEMS AID VIETNAM BY CHANNELING IT VIA MULTIALTERAL/REGIONAL ECON ORGS. NOTES US PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION INDICATED VN POSSIBLY FLEXIBLE REGARDING FORM OF AID.

SOUTHERLAND CONCLUDES BY CITING HOLBROOKE COMMENTS ON US POLICY TOWARD ASIA ON VOA PROGRAM, INCLUDING HIS CAUTION THAT PEOPLE NOT JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS ABOUT NORMALIZATION PACE IN US-PRC RELS.

IN COMPANION CSM ARTICLE, FREDERICK MORITZ (HK) SAYS
CHAIRMAN HUA KUO-FENG IS ATTEMPTING CARRY OUT JOINT MAO-
CHOU LEGACY, DESPITE DIFFERENCES OF APPROACH BETWEEN THEM.

SUN'S ISAACS (HK) SAYS CHINESE MAY DAY OBSERVANCES TURNED
INTO VIRTUAL MARATHON OF ADULATION FOR HUA, AS CHINESE
CAMPAIGN TO GLORIFY HIM HITS NEW HEIGHTS.

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15. INDONESIA

IN SPECIAL TO WP FROM KEDIRI, HAMISH MCDONALD SAYS MORE
THAN JUST VOTES AT STAKE IN MONDAY'S INDONESIAN NATIONAL
ELECTIONS--1ST SINCE '71. RESULTS NOT EXPECTED FOR
SEVERAL DAYS. GOVT OFFICIALS/MEMBERS RULING GOLKAR PARTY
PULLED OUT STOPS IN E JAVA; WORRIED WORKERS TOLD JOBS
DEPEND ON MEETING PARTY VOTING TARGETS. DESPITE GOVT
CLAIMS TO HAVE WON GENUINE RESPECT, GOLKAR VOTE IN KEDIRI/
OTHER RURAL AREAS SEEN AS TESTIMONY TO GOVT'S CONTROL/
POPULARITY.

MCDONALD NOTES OPPOSITION PARTY REPORTS RE DETENTIONS/
BEATINGS/THREATS, AND ADDS INT MIN/ARMY RUN HEAVY-HANDED
SECURITY/INTELLIGENCE NETWORK. DEVELOPMENT UNITY PARTY
(OPPOSITION PARTY) CAMPAIGNED ON THEME "RULE OF LAW".
ISSUE POWERFUL ONE SINCE, SUHARTO GOVT HASN'T ERADICATED
UNDERLYING PROBLEMS POVERTY/OVER-POP THAT LED TO COMMUNIST
GROWTH 15 YRS AGO. WHETHER OPPOSITION SUCCESSFULLY
ARTICULATED PROBLEMS ANOTHER MATTER, SINCE DIRECT CRITICISM
GOVT VIRTUALLY FORBIDDEN. PARTIES ADMITTED MAIN ENEMY
FEAR OF OFFICIAL RETRIBUTION IF GOLKAR VOTE LOW.

16. INDOCHINA

PEAGAM (VIENTIANE), IN LAST OF 3 NYT ARTICLES ON INDOCHINA,
LOOKS AT LAOS SITUATION. FINDS EASY-GOING WAY LIFE
CHANGED: CRIME/DRUG ADDICTION/PROSTITUTION SUPPRESSED;
ECONOMY BADLY RUN DOWN, PARTLY DUE END US AID/THAI BLOCKADE
EVERYONE EXPECTED WORK HARD/TAKE PART IN COMMUNAL FARMING
PROJECTS; PRICES HI/FOOD SHORT; VIENTIANE STREETS ALMOST
DESERTED BY 9 PM. NOTES ALMOST 100,000, INCL MOST PRO-
FESSIONAL/COMMERCIAL ELITE, FLED.

PEAGAM COMMENTS THAT, W/VIET HELP, PL HAS SQUANDERED MUCH
INITIAL POPULAR SUPPORT THRU ECON MISMANAGEMENT/MALADROIT-
NESS/ENFORCEMENT OFTEN HARSH/ARBITRARY CONTROLS. SAYS
W DIPLOMATS AGREE MANY GOVT PROGRAMS WELL-CONCEIVED, BUT
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PRACTICE OFTEN FALLS FAR SHORT OF THEORY. ADDS COMMUNIST

POWER IN POPULATED AREAS LARGELY MAINTAINED THRU APATHY/THREAT. SAYS W DIPLOMATS ESTIMATE 30,000 DETAINED IN RE-EDUCATION CAMPS; ADDS REBELS REPORTEDLY NUMBER 2000, DO NOT POSE SERIOUS THREAT.

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ON OCCASION 2ND ANNIVERSARY SAIGON'S FALL, CDN (4/30-5/1) REPRINTS KEYES BEECH ITEM DESCRIBING US EVACUATION FROM SVN.

17. THAILAND

ANDELMAN (NYT BANGKOK 5/1) LOOKS AT THAI PALACE SCHOOL WHERE 200 CHILDREN OF ELITE RECEIVE BEST EDUCATION COUNTRY HAS TO OFFER. FINDS IT LONG WAY FROM "KING AND I."

18. KOREA

NYT'S MALCOLM (SEOUL) DOES ITEM ON KCIA SURVEILLANCE METHODS ON KOREAN CITIZENS. CHURCH MTGS MONITORED/TAXI DRIVERS ASKED EAVESDROP ON CONVERSATIONS/LAWYERS WHO OFFER DEFEND DISSIDENTS FIND THEIR TAX RECORDS UNDER CONSTANT RE-EXAMINATION. MENTIONS PARK'S RECENT CRACKDOWN ON POL OPPONENTS/ROKG'S SUBTLE METHODS CONTROLLING DISSIDENTS, INCL RECRUITING STUDENT LEADERS AS AGENTS. NOTES SOME AGENTS SO FAMILIAR TO PARK'S OPPONENTS THAT FOLLOWER/FOLLOWED EX-CHANGE NODS OFrecognition.

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP) STATE SFRC HAS "QUIETLY STARTED" PROBE INTO ACTIVITIES FON INTELL AGENCIES IN US, INCL KCIA. COLUMNISTS CLAIM CIA NOT ONLY WORKS CLOSELY W/SUCH AGENCIES, BUT AGENTS OPERATE WITHIN ONE ANOTHER'S COUNTRIES BY MUTUAL CONSENT.

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TRB (WSTAR 4/30) NOTES PRES CARTER'S STAND ON NUKE PROLIFERATION. SAYS DECISION PUT PLUTONIUM ON SHELF AS SOURCE NUKE ENERGY CAUSES SUSPICION/ANXIETY FROM TOKYO TO IRAN/BRAZIL. ADDS US HAS LOTS COAL/URANIUM FOR FUEL EVEN IF OIL RUNS OUT; ASKS IF US TRYING CREATE MONOPOLY OF NUKE FUEL FOR SELF BY CRACKING DOWN ON TYPE REACTOR FOR LESS-FAVORED COUNTRIES THAT CAN PRODUCE MORE FUEL THAN USES.

20. HUMAN RIGHTS

TREWHITT (SUN 5/1) NOTES SECSTATE AT 4/30 LAW DAY SPEECH AT U OF GA SET OUT ADMIN'S POSITION IN GREATEST DETAIL YET. SAYS IN EFFECT OUTLINED TERMS UNDER WHICH US WOULD ATTEMPT ENCOURAGE REAL PROGRESS FOR OPPRESSED W/O SELF-DEFEATING/

SELF-RIGHTEOUS INTERFERENCE IN AFFAIRS OTHER COUNTRIES.
OBERDORFER (WP 5/1) SEES VANCE SPEECH TAKING CAUTIOUS POSITION ON USE LEVERAGE TO IMPLEMENT US IDEALS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

SUN OPINES RETREAT FROM "HIGH GROUND" OF HUMAN RTS WOULD CAUSE ADMIN FOPOLICY MORE COMPLICATIONS THAN STAND. FINDS VANCE'S CALL FOR REALISM "WELL, REALISTIC." OBJECTS TO SECSTATE'S "PEJORATIVE TONE" AS REFLECTING KIND BACK-BITING HEARD IN FOGGY BOTTOM SINCE PRES STARTED TRYING BRING US IDEALS TO FOREFRONT FOPOLICY. ADVISES PRES EXPAND ON THEME BEFORE WORLD GETS IDEA PROFESSIONAL DIPLO-MATS SUCCEEDED IN MUFFLING ADMIN. STATES FREEDOM POWERFUL IDEA, HOWEVER MUCH ANGERS REPRESSIVE REGIMES/COMPLICATES DOS WORK.

JACK ANDERSON (WP 5/1) SEES ADMIN'S HUMAN RTS POLICY, IF PRESSED SERIOUSLY, AS CHALLENGING DESPOTIC PRACTICES FON GOVTS/DIRECTION US PROGRAMS ABROAD. MENTIONS US "PROTEGES" DIEM/THIEU/LON NOL/PARK CHUNG HEE/MARCOS/OTHERS. STATES US MISSIONS TENDED TOWARD ALLIANCES W/MIL CLIQUES/CIA UNCLASSIFIED

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TRAINING SECRET POLICE.

21. TRADE/ECON SUMMIT

CDN (4/26) URGES US AVOID "CALAMITOUS TRADE WAR." SAYS "DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS AIMED AT SECURING VOLUNTARY QUOTAS" ON FON MFRS CALLED FOR/FON GOVTS SHOULD BE PERSUADED "SCRAP UNFAIR EXPORT-PROMOTION SCHEMES." ADDS COMMERCE DEPT MUST ALSO IMPROVE US INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO FIRMS/ WORKERS INJURED BY FON MFRS. BELIEVES COMMERCE'S PROGRAM "FAR LESS COSTLY" TO CONSUMERS THAN PRICE WOULD HAVE TO PAY TO SHELTER "INEFFICIENT AND UNCOMPETITIVE" US INDUSTRIES BEHIND TRADE BARRIERS.

SILK (NYT 5/2) OFFERS OWN CAUSTIC "DRAFT JOINT COMMUNIQUE" OF TYPE SURELY TO BE ISSUED AFTER LONDON ECON SUMMIT. ENUMERATES 11 POINTS, WHICH IN ESSENCE, STATE PARTICIPATING MEMBERS RECOGNIZE PROBLEMS/KNOW WHAT SHOULD BE DONE, BUT EXCUSE SELVES FROM IMPLEMENTING NECESSARY SOLUTIONS/ PRAISE SELVES FOR HAVING FORESIGHT CALL SUMMIT. ADDS OTHER NATIONS WHO FIND PROPOSED SOLUTIONS TOO TOUGH MAY ALSO BE EXCUSED "IF THEY BRING A NOTE FROM THEIR MOTHER OR PRIME MINISTER."

22. GENERAL

NYT'S GWERTZMAN (5/1) STATES CARTER'S HANDLING FON AFFAIRS SHOWS RECORD "VIGOROUS INVOLVEMENT" W/"MIXED RESULTS." ON PRC, SAYS ADMIN HAS LIMITED ITSELF TO REAFFIRMING SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE/HAS NEGLECTED SOLVE PROBLEM CARTER

CAMPAIGN PLEDGE TO BREAK DIPL/MIL TIES W/TAIWAN W/O ENDANGERING ITS SECURITY. IN SK, PROBLEM RETAINING US INFLUENCE WHILE AT SAME TIME INFLUENCING ROKG TO END HUMAN RTS

VIOLATIONS REMAINS UNRESOLVED. NOTES SIMILAR DIFFICULTY IN VN, WHERE ADMIN HAS MOVED TOWARD NORMALIZATION BUT

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"DOES NOT SEEM BOthered" BY HUMAN RTS QUESTION; PRES MUST FIND HOW HARMONIZE RELS W/COUNTRY WHERE THOUSANDS STILL IN "'REEDUCATION'" CAMPS.

CSM'S PARSONS (5/2) DOES BRIEF ITEM ON ASIA'S EDUCATION PROBLEM. PROVIDES CHART SHOWING JAPAN NEARLY 100 PCT LITERATE; HK/SK/PHL/S/THAILAND HAVE MANAGED TEACH AT LEAST 2/3 POPULATION NATIVE LANGUAGE, AND IN HK, BOTH ENGLISH/CHINESE LITERACY IS NATL GOAL.

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